

Amendment Squeaks By House

Tax Shift Faces Uncertain Future

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — A House-passed ballot proposal giving Michigan voters the chance this fall to switch a major portion of their property taxes to the state income tax faces an uncertain future in the Senate.

The proposed constitutional amendment, which also would repeal the prohibition against a graduated income tax, passed the House Thursday by a slim, 75-31 margin.

The vote, just one more than the two-thirds majority needed on a constitutional amendment, came after ranking GOP leaders urged its defeat.

Gov. William G. Milliken acknowledged he'd had to work "hard, very hard" to twist Republicans' arms into punching

the green "Aye" buttons. Twenty-one of the 52 House GOP members voted for the amendment.

House Speaker William A. Ryan delivered 53 Democrats, all but one of his caucus present for the roll call. Rep. E. D. O'Brien, a maverick Detroit Democrat, was the lone holdout.

In the barely Republican dominated Senate, the resolution went to Judiciary Committee amid speculation that attempts would be made to kill or stall it for the balance of the session.

Milliken said he would lead a petition drive to put property tax relief on the ballot in 1972 if the pending amendment failed to make it through the Senate.

Sen. Coleman Young, Democratic floor leader, said moving the bill in the evenly divided upper house would be "the biggest test to date of Gov. William Milliken's leadership." Young said Democrats could deliver 16 or 17 of their 19 votes for the combined amendment.

Republicans would have to provide 9-10 votes by the Sept. 2 deadline for putting the question on the ballot, a task Milliken admitted "I realize we may lose."

Asked whether Senate passage was possible or probable, Milliken said it was "possible."

The governor did much maneuvering before the House vote—calling individual Republican House members into his

office for private conferences and sending messages and making phone calls to them. At the same time, his chief aides were mingling with reluctant GOP lawmakers and urging their support for Milliken's position. But some Republican senators reportedly were working against the measure at the same time.

The source of rank-and-file GOP disgruntlement was the governor's agreement Wednesday to accept a union between his proposed property tax reduction plan and Democratic demands for another popular vote on instituting a graduated

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PLANES COLLIDE IN AIR: Citizens of north-eastern Japan city of Morioka watch a plane trailing white smoke come down through a white cloud over nearby mountains Friday. The plane

was one of two involved in a mid-air collision and crash of a F86F jetfighter plane and a Boeing 727 jetliner of the All Nippon Airways. The crash killed 162 persons. (AP Wirephoto)

162 Die When Fighter Collides With Jetliner

Jap Toll Highest In Air History

By EDWIN Q. WHITE
Associated Press Writer

TOKYO (AP) — A Japanese jetliner with 162 persons aboard and a Japanese jet fighter collided over northern Japan today and crashed in what appeared to be the worst disaster in aviation history.

The pilot of the F86F fighter parachuted to safety, but the national police said there was little or no hope of any survivors from the Boeing 727 airliner.

The airline, All Nippon Airways, said only one foreigner was aboard the big jet, the American flight engineer, Don M. Carpenter of Detroit, Mich. He had been flying for the line since February 1970.

By nightfall, the police said, 56 bodies had been recovered in a mountainous area about 300 miles northeast of Tokyo.

A piece of the tail section of the plane was found, and the bodies recovered were badly mangled. Shortly after darkness fell, national police said other parts of the airliner, including a piece of the fuselage, had been found.

GIANT SEARCH
Search and rescue workers planned to push through the

rough terrain throughout the night in the virtually hopeless search for survivors. There were 2,000 self defense troops, 621 national police and 24 helicopters assigned to the task.

Prime Minister Eisaku Sato cut short a brief vacation to meet with officials investigating the disaster.

The air self defense force said it had ordered a temporary halt in training flights while the investigations are going on. Keiichi Masuhata, director general of the self defense agency, expressed apologies for the collision and condolences to the families of the victims.

The airliner was, on an afternoon flight from Hokkaido, Japan's northernmost main island, to Tokyo. It had 155 passengers—including a 10-month-old baby—and a crew of seven aboard, the line said.

Most of the passengers were returning from a tour sponsored by the Yoshiwara Bereaved Family Association, composed of relatives of soldiers killed in World War II.

All Nippon Airways said it received an emergency signal from the airliner and then contact was lost.

A military spokesman said the fighter broke into pieces, but the pilot, a sergeant,

managed to bail out. He was taken to a hospital and was found to be uninjured, the spokesman said.

The pilot of a fighter in the area reported that he saw the two planes plunging toward the earth from an altitude of about 26,000 feet. He said they were trailing smoke and then disappeared.

A schoolteacher near the

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CRAFT INVOLVED: These are types of planes involved in a mid-air collision over northern Japan Friday. Both planes, Japanese Self Defense Force F86F jet fighter, top, and the All Nippon Airways 727 jetliner, bottom crashed. (AP Wirephoto)

Touchdown Tonight

Earthlings See Why It's Riskiest Landing

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Apollo 15's moon-landing explorers made a diving pass over their intended landing site today and gave earthlings a spectacular televised

look at the rough mountains and the canyon which surround it. As the spaceship zipped within 30,000 feet of the peaks of the Apennine Mountains, viewers

could see why David R. Scott and James B. Irwin will have to make the riskiest landing yet on the lunar surface.

They prepared to separate their landing ship Falcon for a sharp descent later today over the 15,000-foot peaks of the Apennines, aiming for a pinpoint landing and three days of exploration with their wheeled moon buggy.

Touchdown was set for 6:15 p.m. EDT.

For 14 minutes, Scott, Irwin and Alfred M. Worden pointed their TV camera over the window as Apollo 15 swooped like a roller coaster from the high point of its orbit, 65 miles, down to about seven miles and then zipped up again. The low point was right over the landing site.

The TV show started as the astronauts passed over the Sea of Serenity, a relatively flat plain, a desolate desert of craters and river-like rilles.

The terrain became increas-



DON M. CARPENTER
Detroit crewman killed

ingly rougher, with more boulders and craters as Apollo 15 neared the mountain range.

Narrator Scott, who yesterday used such words as unreal, mind-boggling and fantastic, to describe the scenery, was more subdued today as he pointed out features for scientists in Mission Control Center.

"Down there you can see what looks like a collapsed lava tube . . . the edge of Serenity looks like a frozen shoreline. Look at that arrowhead-shaped crater. It doesn't appear to have been made by impact," he reported.

As they approached the foothills of the Apennines, he noted: "See how they stand out in sharp relief."

The pass over the landing

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Patriot Receives Citizenship

WASHINGTON (AP) — Michigan Sen. Robert Griffin Thursday introduced a bill in the U.S. Senate to give posthumous citizenship to a Detroit grocer slain when he defended the United States in an argument.

The Senate unanimously passed the measure, making Iraqi immigrant Abdul Muhsin Gallozi a U.S. citizen.

Gallozi, who was less than two months away from realizing an 18-year-old dream of becoming a citizen at the time he died, was shot Tuesday in his store by an irate customer who had denounced the United States. Gallozi had defended this country in what was at first a verbal confrontation.

Cayetano Solis, 67, a Mexican immigrant, faces second-degree murder charges in connection with the slaying.

Gallozi's brother, Prince, wept when told of the Senate action, and said he thanked "everybody from the depths of my heart."

Gas Explosion Scares Holland

HOLLAND (AP)—A gas explosion, apparently centered in a storm sewer, shook the city of Holland early this morning, but when the dust had settled, damage was relatively minor.

A spokesman for the Holland police said that in addition to scaring most of the city's population, the blast blew off numerous manhole covers and lifted one garage off its foundation.

Police said the blast shattered

all the windows in two houses and caused damage to several windows in three others. There was extensive frame damage to one of the houses.

SOAR INTO AIR
The blast occurred at 1:45 a.m. apparently beneath the Holland Hitch Co., where 100 employees were at work, police said. Two manhole covers soared 70 feet into the air and came down through the factory roof.

No one was injured in the explosion. Families in several homes as well as the workers at Holland Hitch were evacuated briefly but were allowed to return when authorities felt there was no risk of further explosions.

According to police, authorities believe a gas buildup in the sewer caused the blast.

Flaugh for Mayor Headquarters
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LUNAR LANDSCAPE: This is an artist's conception of the panorama that astronaut David Scott will see during his Stand-up Extravehicular Activity after the lunar module lands on

the moon tonight. Shadow of the LM is in right foreground. Apennine Mountains and Hadley Rille are in background. (AP Wirephoto)

Lake Temperature

The temperature of Lake Michigan at the shoreline today is 69 degrees.

Sale of House full of furniture. 1 to 5 P.M. Sat. & Sun. 525 So. Ottawa, Fairplain. Adv.

THE HERALD-PRESS
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Legislature
Campaigning This Year
For The '72 Elections

The framers of Michigan's 1963 constitution inserted a pay as you go clause in the charter which requires the state government to balance its revenue with its spending.

The draftsmen believed this would discourage the reckless fiscal procedure of red ink budgets common to Soapy Williams' late years as Governor. They theorized the legislature would think twice about appropriations because of the legal necessity to find the money (essentially raise taxes or find new ones) first.

The framers overlooked one thing.

It is almost impossible to write an ironclad set of rules.

Given time to mull over the situation, disingenuous minds will find a break in the fence and what the writers of the original document had in mind to prevent happening will emerge in worse form than the original evil sought to be stamped out.

This legislative session furnishes an excellent example of how what was supposed to be a shield has changed into an arrow headed for the victim's heart.

Six months ago Governor Milliken delivered a proposed budget to the legislature calling for some increased spending and a relatively mild juggling of the state income tax rates.

This immediately placed him and his G.O.P. followers in the legislature in opposition to the Democratic majority in the House.

Though the budget should

have been adopted, either in Milliken's form or one developed by the legislature, before the July 1st starting date of the new fiscal year, this has not been done.

However, as the reader already knows the House and Senate have finally agreed to boost the state income tax effective this coming Sunday.

Milliken has no choice but to concur.

Outright vetoing the measure would simply deepen the partisan stress and strain within the legislature, and further imperil the state's already shaky financial position.

Considering the public's deeply felt anti-tax sentiment, the reader probably wonders why the legislature took the approach that it has.

The reason is simple enough.

Education and welfare are the two largest tax dollar consumers in all states and so far no one has found a method or worked up the courage to slow down that spending rate. They resemble an automobile's carburetor. It can be adjusted to take a low octane fuel, but the old bus loses its pep.

This spending inevitability requires greater taxpayer support.

Since every member in the legislature comes up for election next year, better to hit the public now and hope it won't be necessary to raise the unpleasant subject again in '72.

Lansing thinking is the same in any state capital city.

It goes on the hope of the public's memory being short.

Pot's Helping Ways

A number of persons, including many regarded as experienced in the drug field, have commented on marijuana, with sharp disagreements emerging. It is worth considering at this point what some persons with extensive experience in first hand observation and treatment of marijuana users have had to say.

Dr. Keith Yonge, president of the Canadian Psychiatric Association and chief of the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Alberta, said:

"Mind altering drugs, including marijuana, induce changes in personality functioning, and there is some evidence that they may include lasting changes in the chemical processes of the brain cells. While we don't know whether such drugs will cause genetic damage in human beings, the results of research with hamsters and rabbits are frightening."

"Among nearly a thousand youngsters hooked on hard drugs with whom I have worked, all but one started with marijuana. That doesn't necessarily mean that today's pot user is tomorrow's heroin addict, but it certainly makes him a prime candidate."

Dr. Walter G. Lehmann, director of the VITAM Rehabilitation Foundation of Norwalk, Conn., comments:

"It is difficult to believe that people who say marijuana isn't harmful have ever worked with young people who are using the drug regularly."

Having treated a couple of thousand youngsters over a five-year period I have found that marijuana can cause muscular incoordination, distort perception of time and space, impair the memory as well as the ability to make judgments and decisions.

"Take enough of it, and it can induce hallucinations every bit as intense as LSD. Marijuana though not physically addictive, can quickly lead the user to become psychologically dependent on it, and it can induce paranoid and schizophrenic responses needing emergency psychiatric care."

Perhaps these will not be the final words on pot, as the controversy surrounding it and studies about it continue. At least proponents of the marijuana - is - harmless theory ought to be called upon to produce witnesses as well qualified as these to back up their claims. Of course, they cannot do so.

National COR Week

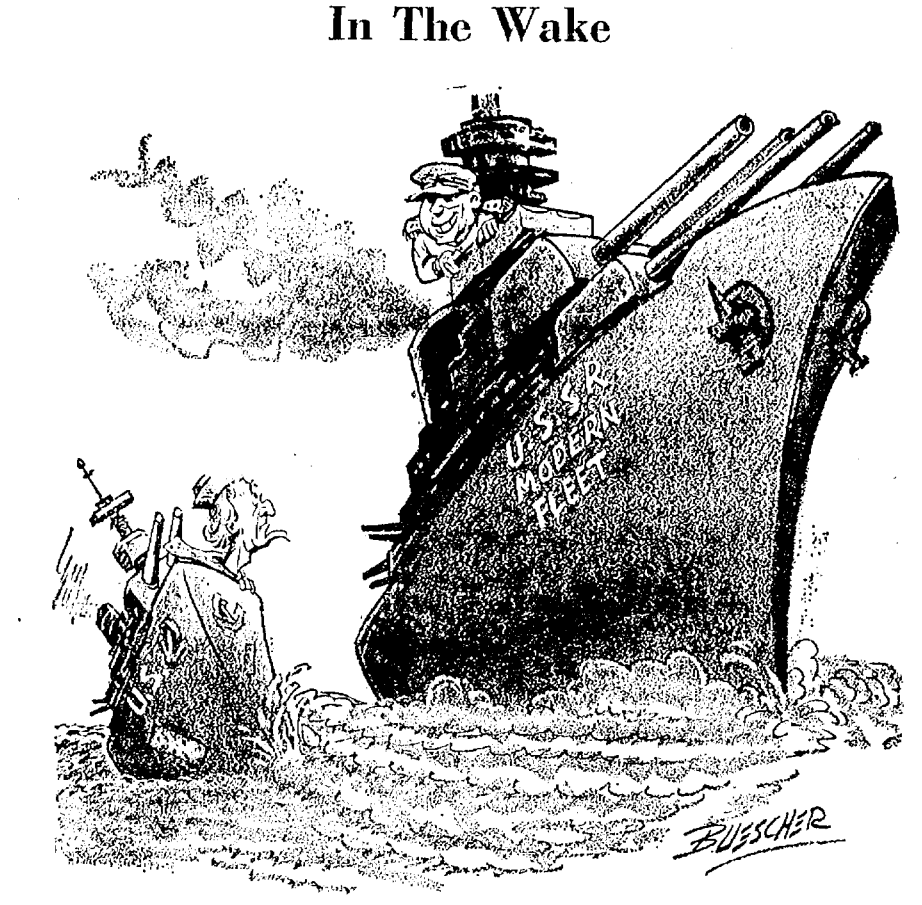
An inquisitive male recently seized the opportunity to check the contents of 17 refrigerators in as many homes. Through one pretext or another, he inspected the interiors and made a count of the little jars and dishes of left-over doodads the average housewife keeps on hand.

He came to the conclusion that the average refrigerator contains 14 left-over dishes of mashed potatoes, miscellaneous vegetables, whiffles of gravies, bites of sauces, and smidgens of various other essences. He estimated that the average housewife keeps the left-overs approximately 12 days before they go into the garbage.

A lady means well when she wraps a tablespoonful of mashed potatoes in waxed paper and tucks the parcel to the rear of the second shelf from the bottom. But she knows that she will make herself a peanut butter sandwich and a cup of tea the next day instead of eating left-overs.

Philosophers and psychiatrists appreciate that the nation faces a serious situation. A well organized and logical mental approach to its social, economic and cultural problems is called for. Let there be a National Clean Out the Refrigerator Week. All progress begins on a basic foundation, and the home is the bottom of the pyramid of civilization.

Another national week, added to the hundreds now celebrated, should do no harm. When the refrigerators are cleaned out, millions of housewives will feel a pleasant lift.



EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor, The Herald-Press:

ENVIRONMENT IS PROTECTION, NOT A COST

The concern, proceedings, and work for improving the quality of their environment through the approval of installing a sewage system was most vividly demonstrated by the residents of St. Joseph township.

The communication between the township board and the people they represent illustrates a progressive step forward in the involvement of decision-making processes of our democratic society. For this total involvement you are highly commended.

In a talk given by Pete Petoskey, regional manager of the Department of Natural Resources, to the United for Survival organization last October, he stated that, "One of the major pollution problems in the Twin Cities area is water and sewage pollution". It sometimes takes time for people to become aware and educated about the question of quality environment, but the sooner they realize the problem and act to solve it, the better for them now and in the future.

As you stated in your editorial of Monday, July 19, the price we were willing to pay now for improving the quality of our environment will give us greater returns rather than cost us.

The \$7 million price put on the installment of the sewage system should be considered as an investment rather than a cost. Each St. Joseph township property owner will invest approximately \$1750.00 for improving the water quality. The interest should not be thought of in terms of money but in terms of people's concern; and the principal, equity, and dividends provided by this investment is to be returned in the form of quality environment.

It is through these kinds of concerns and actions that all of us can continue to work to-

gether for improving the quality of our environment and all realms of life.

Sincerely,
CLETE BRUMMEL
President, U.S.
439 Waverly Dr.,
Benton Harbor.

Editor, The Herald-Press:

NOTHING PIDDLING TO LAKESHORE SCHOOL TAX

We would like to comment on the special meeting held July 19 by the Lakeshore school board.

It was stated by a member of the Citizens for Better Education Committee who engineered the 9.5 mills election for August 16th (the third time this will be voted upon this year - 1971) that he could not understand the people questioning the "piddling" amount of increase in their taxes when it came to the education of the children.

I am sure that not only myself but a great many people even supporting his group, would resent this insinuation of a "piddling" amount of money, be it 40c or \$40. Anyone who pays any attention to his own personal spending, local government spending, state spending or federal spending, nothing is a "piddling" amount.

To many of us, it means a great deal. Anyone who refers to any amount of money as a "piddling" amount has no value of money and we only hope a person of this nature never handles any of the public funds. If this is adult thinking, thank goodness for passage of the 18 year old vote.

Also, it was stated that the new citizens group petitioning for a split millage election (6.0 and 3.5, giving the citizens more choice) was undermining the thinking and intelligence of the elected school board. Was the school board not questioning and undermining elected state officials when the board was criticizing state run schools?

No one is trying to undermine the school board as individuals or undermining their thinking. We are only questioning their thinking and their reasons behind it, which is our citizen's right.

Does not the law of the land question its citizens when it is mandatory that books of any business be audited periodically and when we must make an income tax statement and be able to back it up if questioned? No local, state or federal government officials should ever feel insulted if they are questioned as to their thinking in administering the laws or funds of the people.

We still must question the Lakeshore school board's thinking when they stated at the July 19th meeting that they decided they would put the election of 9.5 mills up for a vote a 2nd time instead of 6.0 and 3.5 because they needed 9.5 mills to operate on and would rather operate without 9.5 than with only 6.0 mills.

I cannot understand this kind of reasoning. Believe me if we did not receive a raise we certainly would not cut our income by 6.0.

The question was asked, didn't you think it would be better to at least have a chance of renewing the present 6.0 mills when the 9.5 had already been rejected by the voters, rather than with nothing? The above is the answer we received.

Also, the question was asked will there be bussing outside a 1 1/2 mile area of the school? The board was unable to answer this. We believe the '71-'72 school budget is set up. Shouldn't they know if this is included in the budget?

Let it be known we are not speaking for any organized group but only for irate taxpayers and property owners in the Lakeshore area.

MR. & MRS. DONALD KASISCHKE,
Stevensville, Mich.

GLANCING BACKWARDS

AVION COACH SELLING DIVISION

—1 Year Ago—

The Pickup Camper division of Avion Coach corporation has been sold to a new company with a familiar Twin City industrial name.

The new firm is Cayo RV Corp., headed by Robert Cayo, former president of Avion, who made the announcement. Cayo sold his Avion interest in April to a Detroit family headed by Robert M. Ligon, now president of Avion. The estate of the late Loren Cayo still retains an interest in Avion.

ALL LINED UP READY TO GO

—10 Years Ago—

All 30 soap box racers were lined up neatly this morning at the corner of Britain and Colfax avenues, site of the revived Twin City Soap Box Derby today.

Boys who built the racers, which meet rigid specifications, were competing for the chance to go to Akron, Ohio, Aug. 20 for the national contest. They are to pilot their creations down the Britain avenue hill from a specially-built starting ramp.

FDR ASKS PRICE CONTROL

—30 Years Ago—

President Roosevelt, asserting inflationary price increases were threatening to undermine our defense efforts, asked congress today to authorize him to establish ceilings for prices and rents. "We face inflation, unless we act decisively and without delay," he said.

The president also requested in a special message authority to purchase materials and commodities when necessary to assure price stability and to "deal more extensively with excesses in the field of installment credit."

SUMMER HOME

—10 Years Ago—

Dr. Max Mason, former president of the University of Chicago, and now president of the Rockefeller foundation, has joined the ranks of prominent leaders in literary and education fields summering in Berrien county. Dr. and Mrs. Mason have taken a summer place at Lakeside, where they intend to remain for the rest of the summer.

AT THE SHOW

—50 Years Ago—

Eva Novak is at the Caldwell theater in "Wolves of the North." The eighth chapter of the serial, "Son of Tarzan," also will be shown tonight.

ON RIVER TRIP

—50 Years Ago—

William Hatch, in company with two friends, Messrs. Boyce and Montgomery of Chicago, left this afternoon on his launch, the Rose Marie, for a month's trip down the Mississippi river.

NEW LIGHTS

—80 Years Ago—

An eye light at the junction of Lake Shore road, State and Central avenue should be among the improvements in the near future and it would be greatly appreciated by the residents of that section.

WILLIAM RITT
You're
Telling Me!

A MACHINE that produces sounds for every muscle movement of the human body has been developed by a Russian scientist. Maybe this is what exercise addicts mean when they talk of tuning up one muscles.

Gosh! Up to now we always thought that miserable sound we heard after a tough day on the job was just the old bones a-creaking

Tropical storm Arlene was very mild. Let's hope that her younger sisters prove to be definitely likewise!

A study shows that while the average American is getting taller, blondes and redheads are decreasing in number. The Man of the Future —tall, dark but not necessarily handsome—

Astronomers say a year on Jupiter lasts 12 times longer than does an Earth Year. Wow! —just imagine a month of July 365 days long!

Sheep are said to be light sleepers. Sounds logical —it's easy to imagine all that itchy wool they wear would naturally keep 'em half awake most of the time.

DR. COLEMAN
..And Speaking
Of Your Health

WHAT IS the Lamaze method of childbirth? How does it differ from natural childbirth?

We are beginning to plan for a family, and are anxious to learn as much as we can about these new methods.

Mr. and Mrs. B. N., Pa. Dear Mr. and Mrs. N.: The Lamaze technique of preparing for childbirth is one of a number of methods now included in the general term "natural childbirth."

A thoroughly lovely new book, called "The Advantages of Dr. Coleman Birth" was recently written by Mrs. Elisabeth D. Bing. Mrs. Bing is one of America's leading forces in the education of families about the Lamaze method of easier childbirth.

The Lamaze technique is a method by which young couples learn all about the process of pregnancy and childbirth. Both physically and emotionally experience. The husband is taught to play an important role, encouraging and supporting his wife through all the stages of childbirth.

Unfortunately, not all hospitals are equipped with facilities that allow the husband to be in the delivery room and attend the birth of his child. More unfortunate is the fact that some administrators simply refuse to learn and understand the tremendous psychological value of natural childbirth.

Dr. Lester Coleman has prepared a special booklet for readers of the column entitled, "Pay Attention to Your Health." For your copy, send 25 cents in coin and a large, self-addressed stamped envelope to Lester L. Coleman, M.D., in care of this newspaper. Please mention the booklet by title.



birth.

Not all people are emotionally able to undertake all of the principles of natural childbirth. They must not feel guilty or inadequate if they cannot carry the procedure to completion.

Every aspect of natural childbirth should be discussed with your own doctor. He is in the best position to evaluate your own physical and psychological needs.

I have had a cyst and a tumor removed from the left side of my face and head. Does this mean that I have a special weakness on the left side of my body?

Miss A. U., Me.

Dear Miss U.: Your misconception, which is causing you anxiety, has no medical validity.

It is pure coincidence that you have had these conditions on the left side of the body.

Another false impression many people have is that they consider themselves "cystic people." They believe that they have a tendency to develop cysts in all organs of the body, simply because they may have had more than one cyst on the skin.

SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH: Too vigorous massage can be more harmful than beneficial.

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JAY BECKER
Contract Bridge

1. You are East, defending against Four Spades. South having bid a spade, North two spades and South four spades. West leads the three of spades. Declarer took the jack with the queen and led two more rounds of trumps. You could afford to part with a club on the fourth trump, but the fifth one would put you out of commission for you would have to ungard one or the other of the red suits.

2. Win the heart with the ace and cash the A-K of diamonds. If both opponents follow suit, continue with a diamond, discarding the king of hearts on it. However the opponents choose to defend, the contract is now certain.

If the diamonds prove to be divided 4-1, you switch your attention to clubs. You cash the A-K of the suit, hoping for a 3-2 division, in which case the king of hearts will provide the entry you need to cash the clubs to make the contract.

Note that the diamonds must be tested first. If you were to start with the clubs and either opponent had four clubs and three diamonds, it would be too late to establish the diamonds successfully. Dummy would get squeezed when the defender with the third diamond cashed his clubs.

RUTH RAMSEY
Today's Grab Bag

THE ANSWER QUICK!

1 - Who are the Cistercians?
2 - Caesar ignored the calendar's warning. What was he supposed to beware of?
3 - Who was Simon Temp-lar?
4 - Who is Bertha Cool?
5 - Early motion picture theaters charged an admission fee of five cents. What were these theaters called?

YOUR FUTURE

You are advised to take a little extra care when traveling. Today's child will have a firm, faithful character.

WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE

CUR MUDGEON — (Ker MUDGE-on) — noun; an irascible, churlish fellow.

IT HAPPENED TODAY

On this day in 1649, the first American representative assembly convened at Jamestown, Va.

BORN TODAY

The number 30 in birthdays is supposed to be the dividing line between the young and those other people, at least according to some followers of the youth cult. So, does that make Paul Anka washed up in the entertainment business?

Hardly, even though he isn't recording these days, but is writing songs for other people.

When he was 15, he wrote and sang his first record, "Diana," and it took off into the million seller plus class. He followed up with such top-of-the-chart hits as "Lonely

Boy," "Put Your Head on My Shoulder," "Puppy Love" and "You Are My Destiny."

At 16 he had three big ones to his credit.

At 17, he'd made his first million.

At 18, he made his debut in the nightclub, a circuit where he was one of the best attractions in the field.

At 21, he had written more than 200 songs. From the time he was old enough to vote, until the present, he has made a million annually from his songs.

Tommy Sands, Frankie Avalon, Fabian — the other singers who came up at the same time he did — aren't doing anywhere as well as he is.

Despite his singing success, Anka thinks of himself as a writer of songs for other singers and groups. Here, too, he is a top attraction. One of his latest songs is "She's A Lady." Tom Jones' first number one hit in the United States.

Other songs he has written recently include "Sonny and Cher's 'Real People'" and "Everything Has Been Changed." The Fifth dimension's latest.

His best song? The one he wrote especially for Frank Sinatra entitled "My Way," one of the finest in Sinatra's brilliant career.

Others, born today include Henry Ford, Casey Stengel and Henry Moore.

HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?

1 - A monastic order of the Middle Ages.
2 - The Ides of March.
3 - "The Saint" of detective fiction.
4 - One of the few women detectives of fiction.
5 - Nickelodeons.



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Detroit 'War' Ends

Gasoline Prices Stabilize In State

Twin City area motorists don't have as much to beef about today in comparing major brand gasoline prices here with other parts of the state.

A price war of nearly two years ended abruptly in southeastern Michigan as major oil companies made increases that

nearly doubled the cost to the motorist.

The Associated Press reported that in the Detroit area it was possible to buy major brand gas for as little as 12.9 cents a gallon in the Detroit area as late as Tuesday evening. Since then prices have

sky-rocketed an average of 15 cents a gallon and prices of 39.9 for regular are not uncommon. This newspaper yesterday made a check of service stations selling a major brand in Benton Harbor-St. Joseph, Niles, South Bend and South Haven. Service station opera-

tors reported they were selling regular for 39.9 cents a gallon and premium for 43.9.

There are some slight exceptions. A Kalamazoo station of the same brand said regular was 38 cents. Grand Rapids and Berrien Springs each listed 39.

The big increases in southwestern Michigan were set off by the Shell Oil Co. which eliminated price supports to dealers. Other companies readily followed suit.

"We have restored the price structure back to normal after almost two years of constant price warring," said W. C. F. Lawler, Shell district manager. "The Detroit consumer has had one of the best bargains in the nation and we have been losing 10.5 cents a gallon."

Many dealers were not happy about it. Chester Nietupski of Sterling Heights said he pumped 2,000 gallons of regular gas at 21.9 Tuesday and was down to 500 gallons at 39.9 Wednesday.

C. W. Britton, executive director of the Retail Gasoline Dealers association, said the public should not blame the dealers for the increase.

"Here is another case where the dealer, who has nothing to say about it, will get blamed by his customers," he said.

"Here is another case where the dealer, who has nothing to say about it, will get blamed by his customers," he said.

Injuries Fatal To Trucker

Arvil Preston Bell, 49, of Coldwater, Mich., burned over 90 per cent of his body Wednesday morning in the collision of two trucks on I-94, died shortly after 8 p.m. Thursday in Cook County hospital, Chicago.

His death was the 31st traffic fatality of the year in Berrien county.

A steel-hauling truck driven by Bell slammed into the rear of another truck driven by Robert Eschridge of Chicago near the Napier avenue interchange in Benton township. Both trucks ran off the roadway and overturned, with Bell's vehicle bursting into flames.

Bell was trapped in the cab for several minutes before firemen from Benton township could control the flames so that he could be removed. He was rushed to Benton Harbor Mercy hospital for emergency treatment and immediately transferred to Cook county hospital's burn center.

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WELCOMED: John Florian, a director and Don Galloway, retiring president of the Grand Mere association, welcomed four new directors at annual

membership meeting last night. From left are Florian, Galloway, Max Medley, Robert Hammond, Mrs. Dean Asselin and Karl Goy.

Group Would Preserve Entire Grand Mere Area

Preservation of the entire 1,200 acres of Grand Mere is still the goal of the Grand Mere association, President Don Galloway said in a report at the annual membership meeting last night.

The Grand Mere association met in the auditorium of the Maude Preston Palenske Memorial library, St. Joseph. Six directors were elected.

State legislative action sever-

al weeks ago earmarked \$350,000 for purchase of nearly 400 acres of Grand Mere as a natural preserve. This was

hailed as a significant step toward "saving Grand Mere" but Galloway said the ultimate goal is to save the entire area of lakes, bogs, dunes and forest often labeled as an ecological treasurehouse.

The state department of na-

tural resources is now negotiating with property owners for purchase of the 400 acres.

Elected to the board were Mrs. Dean Asselin and Mrs. Frank Cupp, St. Joseph; Max Medley, Berrien Springs and Robert Hammond, Karl A. Goy and Galloway, Stevensville.

Mrs. Asselin and Hammond served as alternates last year and Medley and Goy are new to the board.

The board will elect its officers in September. Association by-laws prohibit Galloway from serving more than two years.

Galloway and Mrs. Verna Bragg, retiring secretary, were officially commended by the board.

A film, "Alone in the Midst of the Land," prepared by the National Broadcasting Co. was shown.



CHARTER EMPLOYEES: Employees who have been with St. Joseph Memorial hospital ever since it started operations in 1951 were honored at service awards dinner last night. Lester Tiscornia (left), president of the board of trustees, pre-

sented awards while administrator Robert Bradburn announced the list. Receiving awards were from left Cynthia Hughes, Ruth Miller, Virginia Burg and Evelyn Dutcher. Not pictured is Josephine Wynn. (Staff photo)

'Charter' Employees Get 20-Year Service Awards

Service awards for 29 St. Joseph Memorial hospital em-

ployees, including five who have been with the institution since it opened its doors 20 years ago in 1951, were presented last night by Lester Tiscornia, president of the board of trustees.

The award ceremony followed a dinner in the hospital's Forum.

Tiscornia was making the presentations for the first time since succeeding Frederick Upton as hospital board president.

But he echoed Upton's often stated theme that service to patients makes Memorial hospital unique. Tiscornia said hospital service in the past has been characterized by employees giving something a little extra and he urged that "we never lose this facility."

Hospital Administrator Robert Bradburn added that the success of the hospital could be traced to the care and interest shown by employees in all departments.

Tiscornia compared the first year of operation with the 20th year. He noted adult admissions the first year totaled 3,982 and last year 8,057. Babies born climbed from 566 to 1,238. Total patient days totaled 23,500 two decades ago and 58,698 last

year.

Surgical procedures rose from 2,097 to 3,955; X-ray procedures went from 5,062 to 22,802 and laboratory tests from 20,749 to 128,679.

Total operating income the first year of operation was \$542,763 and in the 20th year it was \$5,507,988. Total operating expenses the same periods was \$777,035 and \$5,204,179. Total payroll was \$389,203 the first year and \$2,717,397 20 years later.

There were 175 employees in 1951 and 582 in 1971. Value of the property rose from \$1,979,482 to \$9,739,738 and the number of beds more than doubled from 104 to 210.

Twenty-nine plus went to Mrs. Cynthia Hughes and Mrs. Ruth Miller, dietary; Mrs. Josephine Wynn, laboratory and Mrs. Virginia Burg and Mrs. Evelyn Dutcher, nursing.

Fifteen-year awards went to Mrs. Ethel Fonder, dietary; Mrs. Sylvia Bailey, fiscal; Mrs. Selma Farmer, laundry and Mrs. Gertrude Dehring, Mrs. Genevieve McGee and Mrs. Mildred Tisdell, nursing.

Ten-year awards went to Mrs. Pearl Modigh, dietary; Mrs. Lillian Main, laundry and Mrs. Wilma Clybourne, Mrs. Lucile

Dykeman, Mrs. Nettie Jewell and Mrs. Kathryn Kitron, nursing.

Five-year awards went to Mrs. Lula Johnson, dietary; Fred Rodgers, engineering; Harvey Vander Bee, fiscal; Mrs. Elvira Karklys, laboratory; Mrs. Lala Griffin, laundry; Mrs. Violet Driscoll, radiology and Mrs. Royce Hart.

Mrs. Corine Jones, Mrs. Alberta Ketchum, Mrs. Ophelia Madden, Mrs. Grace Stevenson and Mrs. Ivy Gard, nursing.

Bradburn noted that all awards were for "continuous service."

Entertainment after the dinner was provided by Miss Ann Hills accompanied by Grover Hines.

LOVE Offering Help For Absentee Voters

The Ladies On Voter Education (LOVE) organization has offered to assist persons who want to vote by absentee ballots in securing ballots for the Aug. 3 primary election in Benton Harbor. The organization can be contacted at the Citizens for Joseph headquarters.

It was also announced that dummy voting machines will be set up at the headquarters, 716 East Main, for adult voting education classes to be conducted from 2 to 9 p.m. Saturday.

Claudette Cochran, president of LOVE, also said the organization will start a voter registration drive after the primary election, starting Aug. 10, in cooperation with the Episcopal Christian society and the Benton Harbor chapter of the NAACP.

Benton Harbor Skill Center Gives 140 Chance At New Trade

About 140 students have taken a step toward a valuable trade through a special session at

Benton Harbor area schools.

The session ends Friday, and

Neal Blinkman, director of vocational education in the district, termed it a first for the local school system.

Instruction at the center was in seven basic areas — auto body shop repair, auto mechanics, building trades, drafting, electronics, graphic arts, and machine trades.

Blinkman said total cost was about \$28,227, including \$15,000 for the six-week morning session, financed by the state vocational education department, and \$13,227 for a five-week afternoon session, financed through the manpower program of the Model Cities and Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce. About 140 students who participated were divided between the two sessions.

The sessions were taught by 12 instructors of the school district and included seven in vocational education, two in English, two in math, and a job attitude trainer.

Blinkman said students in the afternoon session received pay, through the neighborhood Youth Corps, while those who attended the morning session had no pay.

Blinkman said the program was the first of its kind here. This session included some students who had dropped out of school after reaching age 16.

Some of the dropouts appear to have gained enough interest to return to regular classes, Blinkman said, while younger students have acquired incentive for further training that could lead to good-paying jobs.



YOUNG PROFESSIONAL: Although only 14, Dale Guidry demonstrated professional ability in restoring rusted auto fender, now set to be painted. Dale, one of about 140 youths who attended Benton Harbor Area schools summer skill center program, examines work with instructor Donald Oster. Dale is son of Mr. and Mrs. Profit Guidry, 937 Hall street, Benton township. (Staff photo)

Views Differ

BH Candidates Tell Platforms To Citizens

Benton Harbor mayoral candidates reiterated their platforms last night at a public meeting sponsored by the NAACP and attended by about 40 persons at the city public library.

Some different views developed during a question and answer session. Dr. Mark Lewis, superintendent of schools, said he has been to several meetings on recreational opportunities for youth but so far nothing has materialized.

Candidate Charles Joseph replied that his platform included a youth center that would be staffed by off-duty police officers and youths. It would be comprehensive with many

wholesome activities and financed hopefully through contributions.

CITES LEADERSHIP

Incumbent Mayor Wilbert Smith said youth activities require real leadership. He cited success of summer recreation a few years ago when the program was financed jointly by the city and school district with supervisors like Virgil May and Joe Shurn providing leadership that drew large numbers of participants. Smith termed this summer's program run by Western Michigan university's Urban Corps as virtually "a complete flop."

Candidate F. Joseph Flaugh said the city should first in-

crease its tax base through new business which would help finance youth activities and other projects.

Smith, Joseph and Flaugh are on the ballot in next Tuesday's primary election. The top two will square off in the November final election.

Joseph said if elected he would establish a mayor's committee to work with the schools and improve communications. Smith called it a fine idea but noted the school district is an autonomous governmental body and the city shouldn't meddle directly in school affairs.

Flaugh declared that Benton Harbor problems should be handled by Benton Harbor people and if elected he will attempt to appoint a broad cross sections of city residents to various municipal boards.

GLAD TO REPLY

The veteran commissioner was asked why he moved his insurance office from downtown Benton Harbor to Fairplain Plaza. "I'm glad you asked that," he replied.

Flaugh explained he wrote insurance on the Plaza and was advised he had better come out and pay rent. However, he said he was now considering establishing a second office downtown.

Jesse W. Howard, Sr., chairman of the Benton Harbor branch NAACP political action committee, chaired the meeting.

BH Mayor Candidate Flaugh Gets Summons

Berrien Sheriff's Deputy Jack A. Knuth issued a summons for careless driving Tuesday night to Benton Harbor City Commissioner F. Joseph Flaugh.

Knuth reported he stopped a car on Niles avenue, St. Joseph township, after observing it cross the center three times. Knuth said Flaugh was taken to the sheriff's department, given a breathalyzer test, then issued a summons for careless driving. The case is pending in Fifth District court.

Flaugh, 67, is a candidate for mayor in Benton Harbor's primary election Tuesday, Aug. 3.

Vintage Cars On Display Here

Remember the rumble seat ride, the touring sedan with curtains in the windows? These and others from automotive antiquity roll into the Twin Cities area today for the annual National Hot Rod run.

Ramada Inn, south of Benton Harbor, is headquarters for the event which is expected to attract 110 prewar cars from six states and Canada. The rally starts today and continues through Sunday.

Cars will be displayed in the

parking lot of the Ramada. Many will look like in showroom condition from the 1930s but a look under the hood will show that customized engines have replaced conventional motors.

Sponsors of the event are

Popular Hot Rodding magazine, the International Show Car association and the Michigan Hot Rod association. Frank Talley, managing director of the Show Car association, said persons with old cars or parts for sale can describe the items

on a list that will be posted at the Ramada.

Among events Saturday for the visitors are a timed drive and a tour of the Bronco Winery and Vineyards, Keeler, followed by a banquet and awards presentation.

Coloma Chooses Glad Queen Saturday

13 Girls Vie For Crown



VENITA LOU
MCKINNEY



REBECCA KARN



ROBERTA LOSHBOUGH



MARCIA SCHNEIDER



VICKI FLORY

COLOMA — Michigan's first Glad Queen will be chosen from a field of 13 contestants Saturday, July 31, at the Coloma high school auditorium.

The contest is slated to get underway at 8 p.m., with tickets being sold at the door beginning at 7 p.m.

The contest, sponsored by the Southwestern Michigan Gladiolus society, marks the 25th anniversary of the first Coloma Gladiolus Festival.

The contestant selected as the state's Glad Queen will reign over the annual Gladiolus festival, Aug. 6-8, and will represent the state at the Canadian National Exhibition at Toronto, Canada, Aug. 18-19.

INTERVIEWS SATURDAY

Queen Committee Chairman, Mrs. Vi Shafer of Coloma, said judges will interview the contestants during a noon luncheon Saturday, prior to the contest.

In addition to the choosing of a queen, a first and second runner-up will also be selected.

The winner will appear on television twice next week. On Monday, Aug. 2, she will be interviewed by Orion Samuelson on his show, Top O' the Morning, on WGN-TV at 6:35 a.m. At 10 a.m. Wednesday, the queen will appear on the WKZO-TV program Accent with host Jackie Fitzgerald.

Some 1,200 colorful Gladiolus have been ordered for the contest, with a majority of the flowers being on the stage.

The theme of the contest, according to Mrs. Shafer, is "Enchanted Garden of Glads".

Master of ceremonies for the contest will be Bob Richards, assistant manager of the audio video communications section, of the Whirlpool educational center.

Entertainment will be furnished by the Van Buren Folk Dancers, and the Vi Shafer School of the Dance, Coloma.

CONTESTANTS LISTED

Contestants are all holders of beauty titles won in competition earlier this year, during local contests. They are:

Rebecca Renne Roberts, 17, Miss Saint Joseph, is 5 feet 4, has brown eyes and brown hair. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rudy R. Roberts, 1418 Michigan avenue, St. Joseph.

Bevie Jo Britton, 18, Miss Berrien Springs, is 5 feet 4, has green eyes and brown hair. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Britton, route 2, box 26, Range Line road, Berrien Springs.

Cassandra Larsen, 17, Miss Coloma, is 5 feet 10, and has brown eyes and brown hair. She is the daughter of Mrs. Clayton C. Larsen, 386 Timber drive, Coloma.

Cynthia Pitcher, 18, Miss Hartford, stands 5 feet 7½ and has brown hair and blue eyes. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome (Bud) Pitcher, 120 Paras Hill drive, Hartford.

Denise Stice, 18, Miss Army Reserve, is the daughter of Mrs. Marilyn Stice, 1007 Indiana, Benton Harbor.

MISS BANGOR
Diane Marie Kuziel, 18, Miss Bangor, is 5 feet 6 and has dark brown hair and blue eyes. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Kuziel, route 2, box 216, Grand Junction.

Kim Affeld, 18, Miss New Buffalo, stands 5 feet 15, has honey blonde hair and blue eyes. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Affeld, 313 Creek drive, Sunset Shores, New Buffalo.

Laura Mansfield, 18, Miss Benton Harbor, is 5 feet 5 and has light brown hair and brown eyes. She was the first runner-up in the 1971 Miss Blossom-time contest. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Mansfield, 1970 Fairplain avenue, Benton Harbor.

Marcia Schneider, 18, Miss Stevensville, stands 5 feet 5, has blonde hair and blue eyes. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Schneider, 1869 Clearwood drive, Stevensville.

MISS EAU CLAIRE
Rebecca Karn, 18, Miss Eau Claire, is 5 feet 6, has brown hair and hazel eyes. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Karn, 7263 Fifth street, Eau Claire.

Roberta "Robin" Loshbough, 17, Miss Watervliet, stands 5 feet 7, has brown eyes and brunette hair. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Loshbough, 425 Lucinda Lane, Watervliet.

Venita Lou McKinney, 17, Miss Lawrence, has long brown hair and brown eyes. She is the daughter of Mrs. Betty McKinney, route 1, Lawrence.

Vicki Flory, 17, Miss Decatur, stands 5 feet 2 and has brown eyes and brown hair. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Flory, route 2, Decatur.



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BEVIE JO BRITTON



CASSANDRA LARSEN



CYNTHIA PITCHER



DENISE STICE



DIANE MARIE KUZIEL



KIM AFFELD



LAURA MANSFIELD

Palisades Hearing To Resume

By TOM RENNER

South Haven Correspondent

COVERT — A hearing by an Atomic Energy commission licensing board which is considering issuance of an operating license to Consumers Power company for its Palisades nuclear plant in Covert township resumes next Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Kalamazoo public library.

The on-again, off-again hearing has been in session since June, 1970, considering whether the 2,200 thermal megawatts facility should be licensed.

Hearings were recessed on June 17 pending re-evaluation of the plant's emergency core cooling system and a review of evidence filed earlier.

Consumers officials say that Combustion Engineering, Inc., the supplier of the Palisades nuclear steam supply system,

has completed a study of the emergency core system based on standards recently adopted by the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC).

Combustion Engineering reports that the plant "conservatively meets" the criteria at 60 per cent of its rated power, a conclusion with which the company believes the AEC agrees.

Further evaluation is being made to show that the system meets the AEC criteria at 100 per cent of rated power. In the

meantime, however, Consumers will try to convince the AEC that it should be issued a license which would allow the utility to generate electricity up to 60 per cent of its capacity.

The utility has already conducted low power tests under a fuel loading and low-power test license issued by the AEC last March.

The \$120 million plant was originally scheduled to begin commercial generation of power in August, 1970.

Cass College Planning Full Week Of Events

DOWAGIAC — Southwestern Michigan college will celebrate its fifth anniversary August 1-8 with special events including an open house and a nurse's graduation.

The Cass county board of commissioners and the Dowagiac city council have designated August 1-8 as SMC Week in recognition of the college's contributions to the community.

SMC's enrollment has increased from 492 students in 1966 to 1,100 students in its day and evening courses. It is one of 29 two-year colleges in Michigan and offers 17 different educational programs, 14 of which are designed to provide opportunities for immediate employment upon completion of the courses required.

During the days of SMC Week, the different areas of its operation.

ARTS, SCIENCES
Sunday, August 1, has been designated arts and sciences day to call attention to the college's programs, which are

transferable to four year college and universities throughout the United States.

Monday has been set aside as college museum and cultural day. Southwestern Museum was established last year and has provided historical exhibits of interest to area citizens.

Trustees day, Tuesday, was established to honor those men and women who have served on the college board of trustees since the college's development.

The day will be highlighted by a luncheon held at noon for past and present board members, area educators, and county officials.

An open house is scheduled from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday on the college campus. Faculty and administrators will be on hand during that time to answer questions and direct visitors. The public is invited to come and inspect the college's facilities. Refreshments will be served.

Applied science day, Thursday, will focus on those programs offered by the college

which provide training necessary for a career on completion of the course. The programs, ranging from aviation technology to secretarial science and nursing, prepare students for a career in their chosen fields.

The Southwestern Michigan College Foundation will be in the spotlight Friday, August 6. The foundation which was established early this year, provides supplementary income for special education and cultural projects through private gifts and loans.

Saturday is physical fitness day at the college, with emphasis on the physical education aspect of the college's curriculum.

SMC Week ends Sunday, August 8, with the graduation of 30 students who have completed the college's practical nurse program. Over 500 are expected to attend the event, set to begin at 2 p.m. on the steps of the instructional resources center on campus.

Gast Proposes Tough Anti-Litter Measure

State Rep. Harry Gast, Jr., Stevensville Republican, has introduced legislation in the Michigan House proposing a new approach toward protecting the environment.

The bill makes the driver of a vehicle responsible for littering from that vehicle.

"With this measure, we can presume that litter thrown or left on any public or private property is the responsibility of the driver or the registered owner of the vehicle," Gast said.

"Violation of this action

would carry a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 or imprisonment for 30 days, or both.

"In addition, the courts could direct the violator to spend three days gathering litter, including, but not limited to, the litter connected with the violation.

"I believe the time has come to pass a 'get-tough' measure of this kind. Either we are serious about controlling the litter on our streets and highways and in our public parks, or we are not.

"I feel that the educational aspect of our litter problem has progressed to a point where our enforcement and penalty provision must now take over.

"The thrust of this proposal is aimed at people. Litter doesn't just happen, people are responsible. I think it is reasonable to presume that we won't stop people from littering until we make it punishable by law," Gast concluded.

The bill will be considered by the House Committee on Judiciary.

Behrends' Conservatives Threaten To Leave GOP

By MARTIN IHRSCHEMAN

Associated Press Writer

The head of the conservative wing of the Michigan Republican party says his group soon

will bolt the GOP if it is not given "a place in the party."

George Behrends, chairman of the United Republicans of Michigan said he met earlier

this week in Washington with

members of the White House

staff and secured promises of more political appointments

and a greater voice in the 1972

presidential campaign for

Michigan conservatives.

But if those promises don't

materialize, he said, the United

Republicans of Michigan will

abandon the GOP and join

forces with former state Sen.

Robert Huber's Conservative

party.

Behrends said his group represents some 100 clubs around

the state and credits United

Republican workers as being al-

most solely responsible for Hu-

ber's near upset of Lenore

Romney in the 1970 U.S. sena-

torial primary.

Huber renounced the Republi-

can party shortly thereafter

and formed the Conservative

party.

VISIT CAPITAL

Behrends, who resides at

Grand Beach south of New Bu-

falo, traveled to Washington

this week along with other con-

servatives from Michigan to

talk with top Republicans.

"The best proof we have of

our strength is that every work-

er Robert Huber had was a

member of a United Republi-

can club," Behrends said.

And Huber, who says he will

announce Saturday a campaign

for a state constitutional

amendment to limit the amount

of the income tax, expresses

confidence that Behrends' group

will soon be with him.

"I think most of the United

Republicans of Michigan are

now or soon will be in the Con-

servative party," he said.

Behrends disclaims any identifica-

tion with the John Birch

Society or "radical" right wing

elements. There are no radicals

in the Republican party," he

said. And, he adds, his group

is not racist. "We've got to help

the needy, not the greedy," he

said, calling for the elimination

of aid to dependent children—

which he said is "nothing but

subsidizing prostitution"—and

welfare.

While buoyed by what he

says were promises of in-

creased influence made by

White House staff members,

Behrends expressed deep dis-

enchantment with Gov. William

Miliken.



DRESSING SHIP: Preparing for Saugatuck's 12th annual Venetian festival are Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Rahn, of 240 Windsor road, Benton Harbor. Members of the Singapore Yacht club and the St. Joseph River Yacht club, the couple is completing a four-week cruise to Mackinaw island and northern points of Lake Michigan. Rahn is ex-commodore of the St. Joseph club. (Prosch-Jensen photo)

South Haven Holds Up On Utility Rate Boost

By TOM RENNER

South Haven Correspondent

SOUTH HAVEN —The Board of Public Works (BPW) has

delayed for another month con-

sideration of a water and sewer

price hike.

The BPW members decided

at their regular monthly meet-

ing Thursday night that there

was not enough information

available to recommend to the

city council the size of a rate

increase.

The water and sewer utilities

lost more than \$75,000 during

expected to approach \$100,000

for the year 1970-71 which ended

June 30.

A consulting engineering firm

that would keep the utilities at

a recommended increases

that would keep the utilities at

a breakeven point through 1974.

In some cases the rates would

increase 120 per cent over

present charges.

Board member Stan Adams

suggested that the board devise

a rate that would create a

break-even situation through

1972.

South Haven's water and

sewer rates have not been

increased since 1966. Losses in

recent years have been sub-

sidized by profits from the city-

owned electric utility.

In other action, the BPW

authorized utilities superinten-

dent, Cy Grimes, to obtain

professional help in determining

the cost of relocating switching

equipment which is presently

located in the city's idle electric

generating plant. The city coun-

cil last month authorized demo-

lition of the power plant after

the switching gear is relocated.

Behrends said he also met with

Michigan's Republican Sen.

Robert Griffin, but that unlike

the White House staff mem-

bers, the senator was noncom-

mittal.

If his group does leave the

party, Behrends predicts that

the effect on the already flag-

ging state GOP will be impres-

sive.

He said Conservative party

probably would run candidates

for most offices. "We might not

win," he admitted, "but we'll